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To: [Moon, Wally](#)
Subject: Re: EPA involvement at the Wrangell ADEC Project
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Wally,

I appreciate the response to my letter. I do have a question. How much was the financial contribution from EPA and/or other federal agencies to the Wrangell ADEC Project? Could you provide financial documents showing how much EPA and/or other federal agencies spent on the project. What was the cost of the design that EPA Provided to AKDEC?

Thank-You

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From: Moon, Wally
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Dear Mr. (b) (6) ,

I apologize for the time it has taken me to respond. My Office Director, Sheryl Bilbrey, has asked me to respond to your inquiry and I'm happy to provide you any information that will help.

EPA's involvement has included conducting a Targeted Brownfields Assessment, additional assessment in consideration of EPA conducting a removal action, and finally providing an engineering design for a soil repository to be used by the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) to address the contaminated soil found at the former Byford property. The Office of Environmental Cleanup was assisting ADEC and the City of Wrangell as they were considering a solution to the human and ecological risks posed by the former junkyard. At one point, EPA was hoping to secure enough funding to conduct the cleanup but with budget shortfalls, EPA was not able to secure the funding. One of my staff and myself have been in communications with ADEC and the U.S. Forest Service as issues about the project have recently arisen. I understand a public meeting was held this week.

That's the extent of our involvement to date that I'm aware of. I understand that the workings of our agency may not be familiar to you, so I'd be happy to answer more questions or elaborate if you wish. My contact information is below.

I hope this is helpful,

Wally Moon

Good Afternoon Sheryl,

I live in Wrangell where the proposed monofill site to dispose of the contaminated soil from the Byford property. I have a couple questions:

1. To what extent was EPA Region 10 involved?
2. Did EPA contribute in any way to the project and if so to what extent?

Thank-You

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